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MOYNIHAN FOR BUFFUM

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SUBJ: UN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS BY THE VIETNAMS AND THE
REPUBLIC OF KOREA

1. AT LUNCH THE SECRETARY GENERAL RAISED THE MATTER OF THE
ADMISSION OF THE VIETNAMS. HE ASSUMED WE WOULD BE ISSUING VISAS
TO THE OBSERVERS. I SAID OF COURSE WE WOULD BE. HE SAID HE
HOPED WE WOULD SHARE THE VIEWS OF OTHER COUNTRIES THAT THE
VIETNAMS SHOULD COME INTO THE UN. I SAID I THOUGHT WE WOULD WANT
TO KNOW WHAT THE VIEWS OF OTHER COUNTRIES WERE ON THE ADMISSION
OF SOUTH KOREA. HE SAID THE TWO SUBJECTS WERE NOT LINKED. I
SAID THEY WERE NOT LINKED, BUT HAPPENED TO HAVE ARISEN AT THE
SAME TIME. I SAID WE COULD HARDLY BE EXPECTED TO VIEW WITH
EQUANIMITY THE EXCLUSION OF AN AMERICAN ALLY WHICH COULD ONLY BE
DONE ON TRANSPARENT POLITICAL AND IDEOLOGICAL GROUNDS. HE
TOLD OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH CHOU EN LAI TWO AND ONE-HALF
YEARS AGO. I SAID I HAD NOT HEARD THE ARGUMENT MADE IN THE
COMMUNIST WORLD THAT WE SHOULD AWAIT THE UNIFICATION OF
GERMANY BEFORE TAKING UP THE QUESTION OF UN MEMBERSHIP.

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2. HE IS IN NO POSITION, REALLY, TO TRADE ARGUMENTS ON THE
MERITS OF ADMITTING THE VIETNAMS. BUT HE WAS, GENTLY ENOUGH,
MAKING CLEAR THAT HE KNOWS WHAT EVERYONE KNOWS WHICH IS THAT
IF WE DO THIS, WE DO IT ALONE.
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